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## Socialism and Co-operative Enterprises

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## Statistics and Its Methods

The Review of Economic Statistics. Preliminary Volume, No. 1. (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Committee on Economic Research. January and April, 1919. Pp. 212. Subscription price \$100.)

The establishment of this periodical promises to mark a new stage in the development both of economic research in the universities and of business forecasting for the public.

In 1917 Harvard University appointed a committee consisting of Professor Charles J. Bullock, chairman, Dean Edwin F. Gay, and six men of affairs to plan more adequate provision for scientific investigation in economics. After canvassing various projects this committee decided that its first enterprise should be the cultivation of economic statistics. They secured the services of one of the ablest workers in this field, gave him an adequate staff of assistants, and in due time set up an organ of their own "to promote the collection, criticism, and interpretation of economic statistics, with a view to making them more accurate and valuable than they are at present for business and scientific purposes." This organ, the chairman of the committee promises, will follow three lines of work: investigation of the sources and probable accuracy of existing statistical data; collection of additional data in cases where this may prove desirable and practicable, and the application to economic statistics of modern methods of statistical analysis.

The Review of Economic Statistics is a sumptuous folio-sized quarterly, of about 100 pages per issue, abundantly illustrated by charts admirably drawn. Together with a monthly supplement of current data, the Review is offered to the public at \$100 a year. Besides being an ultra-scientific journal, the Review is thus a competitor of commercial agencies for purveying and interpreting up-to-date figures for business men. Nor are its prospects in this competition necessarily dim. If some of the Review's charts are difficult to understand, some of its rivals' charts are impossible to understand. Most business men take their statistics on faith,